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In response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 21, 2002, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 8, 13 and 15 as indicated below:

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8. (Twice Amended) A device for sorting wafers stored in cassettes comprising:
a housing;
a wafer handling device arranged in a chamber configured to be sealed off with respect to the housing;
a part for receiving at least two closable cassettes arranged in the housing and separated from said chamber by a partition, said part configured to position a received cassette against a closable opening in said partition, wherein through opening of said closable opening said closable cassette is opened and placed in communication with said chamber so that said wafer handling device can remove wafers from the cassette or position them therein;



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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:

- ☐ Previously submitted:
- ☒ Consider the remarks under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 7, 2002, in addition to the Amendment filed herewith.
- ☒ Enclosed:
- ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ☒ Return Postcard

2. Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months).

3. Fees:

- ☒ RCE fee (\$740 large entity)
- ☐ Extension of Time fee:
- ☐ One Month (\$55/\$110)
- ☐ Two Month (\$200/\$400)
- ☐ Three Month (\$460/\$920)

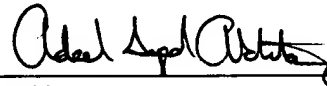
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